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Dr. Brian Rutledge elected to PERS Board of Trustees



Dr. Brian Rutledge, University of Mississippi Medical Center chief of staff, has been elected as the new institutions of higher learning representative on the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) Board of Trustees.

"I am pleased to have Dr. Rutledge join the PERS Board," said Pat Robertson, PERS executive director. "From his work as a fellow to Senator Thad Cochran to his commitment to excellence at UMMC, Dr. Rutledge has dedicated his career to serving the people of Mississippi. We are fortunate to have him share his values and

experience with those served by PERS."

At its Dec. 13 meeting, the Board certified the results of the runoff election between Rutledge and Porter Richard Swann, Mississippi State University Extension Service fiscal administrator.

Rutledge's term will run from December 2016 to December 2022, which includes the remaining two weeks of a term left vacant at the passing of Dr. Cecil L. Hill, associate professor of accounting at Jackson State University.

The 10-member PERS Board includes the state treasurer, a gubernatorial appointee who is a member of PERS, two retirees, two state employees and one representative each of public schools and community colleges, institutions of higher learning, counties, and municipalities. With the exception of the state treasurer and the gubernatorial appointee, board members are elected to staggered six-year terms.

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